

House Resolution No. 1834

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives wholeheartedly believe that a successful marriage forms a firm foundation for a lifetime of happiness and security and wish to salute an outstanding Missouri couple whose union confirms that philosophy; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Hancock, treasured residents of Bucyrus, Missouri, commemorated the resplendent occasion of their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary on March 13, 2005, with a festive celebration held at Ellis Prairie Baptist Church; and

Whereas, joined in marriage before the eyes of the Lord on March 12, 1955, Jerry Anderson Hancock and Rethia June Hutsell began their lives together as husband and wife after a memorable wedding ceremony in at Liberty Baptist Church; and

Whereas, since that happy day, Jerry and Rethia Hancock have witnessed with pleasure the growth of their mutual trust and understanding, qualities which continue to endear them to one another with each passing year; and

Whereas, a proud father and caring husband whose hobbies include fishing, hunting, and honorary membership in the Houston FFA, Mr. Hancock provided a safe and secure future for his loved ones through many years of tireless endeavor as a farmer and owner of a trucking operation for thirty years, during which time he earned the Two Million Mile Safe Driving Award, while Mrs. Hancock enjoyed her family immensely and further distinguished herself as a farmer's wife, honorary member of the Houston FFA, and avid gardener; and

Whereas, Jerry and Rethia Hancock attribute their fifty years of wedded success and happiness to their strong sense of faith and family, the foundation upon which they have planted the seeds of their love and respect for each other in the generations to follow which include their three children, Daniel Hancock, Threasa Smith, and Vicky Sharrar; and their two grandchildren, one step-grandchild, and two step-great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, throughout their blissful union, Jerry and Rethia Hancock have remained devoted life partners and have put forth a tremendous amount of effort to ensure the sanctity of the vows they took so very long ago:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, unanimously join in a thunderous round of applause for Jerry and Rethia Hancock upon the glorious celebration of their Golden Wedding Anniversary, and in wishing them much peace and contentment as they proudly continue their journey along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Hancock.

Offered by _____
Representative Don Wells
District No. 147

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1834, adopted April 5, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker